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Dear Friend:

It is now seven months since the first of two devastating hurricanes hit the Gulf Coast. But in many ways, life in south Louisiana is no better now than the day after the storms.

Believe me, the slow progress and red tape from Washington are just as frustrating to me as they are to you. What many people in Congress don't understand is that rebuilding after these two hurricanes doesn't just mean some new roofs and a lot of insurance paperwork. We have to rebuild entire lives in Louisiana; from where we work, to where we live, to where we learn, to where we pray.

This nation has always come to the aid of fellow Americans in a time of crisis, and my job is to make sure we live up to that. This is a critical time for our state, and the decisions of Congress over these next few months could affect how we rebuild and recover for years to come.

There are so many issues that are important to south Louisiana right now:

- **Stronger levees and hurricane protection**
- **Getting a larger share of our offshore oil and gas revenues so we can fund our own rebuilding without having to rely on Washington**
- **Cutting through the red tape and bureaucracy that keep us from helping ourselves**
- **Improving housing and healthcare so all of us can come home**

With so much on the line, I want to make sure you stay informed of all the important actions in Washington that impact your life. I hope you'll continue to read these e-mail newsletters and let me know how best I can serve you.

Sincerely,
CHARLIE MELANCON
Member of Congress

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on the House floor
about the hurricanes.**



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Rep. Melancon speaks at the Morganza to the Gulf groundbreaking ceremony. March 24, 2006

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Please express your opinion of FEMA's response to the recent Gulf Coast hurricanes

Choose from one of these options:

- ☐ FEMA has performed very well in the hurricane disaster response and recovery
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